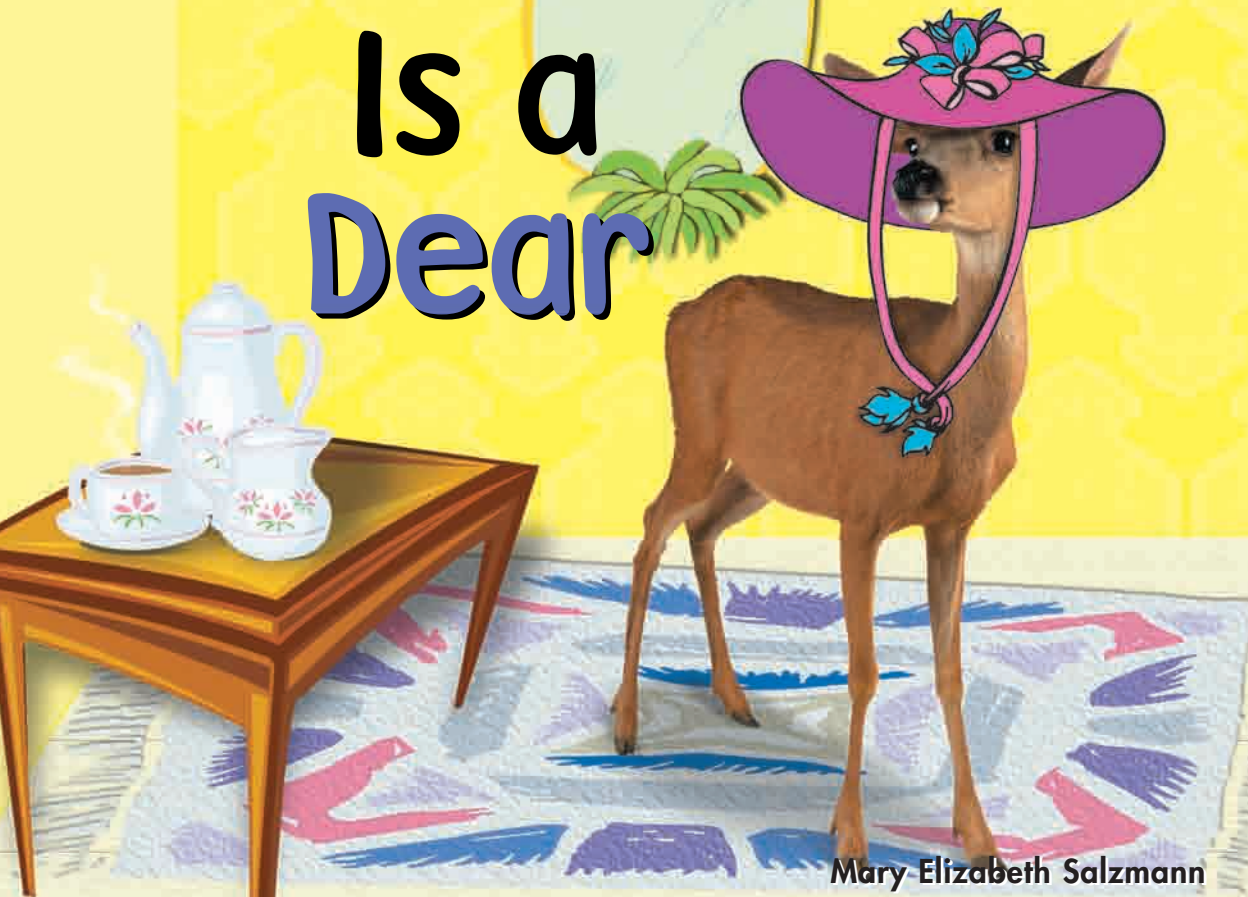


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Homophones



die



dye

Homophones are words that sound alike but are spelled differently and have different meanings.



This is a **dense** forest.



This old truck has many
dents.



Duke has a **dual** role as pet
and guard dog.



We are pretending to **duel**.



**Nina helps make cookie
dough.**



A **doe** is a female deer.



These two **does** are drinking.



**Jill woke her dad up from
a doze.**



Our fishing trip will last for
five **days**.



Edith is confused.

She is in a daze.



School is **done**.

Andrea is going home.



Dun horses are yellow with
a black mane and tail.



He cleans an air **duct** in
our house.



The cat **ducked** into the bag.



There is **dew** on this leaf.



Why **do** I **do** the dishes?

(I like to help.)

Words I Can Read

Nouns

A **noun** is a person, place, or thing

air (AIR) p. 18	doe (DOH) p. 11	house (HOUSS) p. 18
bag (BAG) p. 19	dog (DOG) p. 8	leaf (LEEF) p. 20
cat (KAT) p. 19	dough (DOH) p. 10	mane (MAYN) p. 17
cookie (KUK-ee) p. 10	doze (DOHZ) p. 13	pet (PET) p. 8
dad (DAD) p. 13	duct (DUHKT) p. 18	role (ROHL) p. 8
daze (DAYZ) p. 15	dye (DYE) p. 4	school (SKOOL) p. 16
deer (DIHR) p. 11	fishing (FISH-ing) p. 14	tail (TAYL) p. 17
dew (DOO) p. 20	forest (FOR-ist) p. 6	trip (TRIP) p. 14
die (DYE) p. 4	guard (GARD) p. 8	truck (TRUHK) p. 7

Plural Nouns

A **plural noun** is more than one person, place, or thing

days (DAYZ) p. 14	homophones (HOME-uh-fonez) p. 5	meanings (MEE-ningz) p. 5
dents (DENTSS) p. 7		words (WURDZ) p. 5
dishes (DISH-ez) p. 21	horses (HORSS-ez) p. 17	
does (DOHZ) p. 12		

Proper Nouns

A **proper noun** is the name of a person, place, or thing

Andrea (AN-dree-uh) p. 16	Duke (DOOK) p. 8 Edith (EE-dith) p. 15	Jill (JIL) p. 13 Nina (NEE-nuh) p. 10
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Verbs

A **verb** is an action or being word

are (AR) pp. 5, 9, 12, 17	going (GOH-ing) p. 16	like (LIKE) p. 21
cleans (KLEENZ) p. 18	has (HAZ) pp. 7, 8	make (MAKE) p. 10
do (DOO) p. 21	have (HAV) p. 5	pretending (pri-TEND-ing) p. 9
drinking (DRINGK-ing) p. 12	help (HELP) p. 21	sound (SOUND) p. 5
ducked (DUHKT) p. 19	helps (HELPSS) p. 10	spelled (SPELD) p. 5
duel (DOO-uhl) p. 9	is (IZ) pp. 6, 11, 15, 16, 20	will (WIL) p. 14
	last (LAST) p. 14	woke (WOHK) p. 13

Adjectives

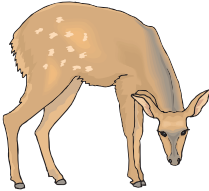
An **adjective** describes something

alike (uh-LIKE) p. 5	done (DUHN) p. 16	many (MEN-ee) p. 7
black (BLAK) p. 17	dual (DOO-uhl) p. 8	old (OHLD) p. 7
confused (kuhn-FYOOZD) p. 15	dun (DUHN) p. 17	our (OUR) pp. 14, 18
dense (DENSS) p. 6	female (FEE-male) p. 11	these (THEEZ) p. 12
different (DIF-ur-uhnt) p. 5	five (FIVE) p. 14	this (THISS) pp. 7, 20
	her (HUR) p. 13	two (TOO) p. 12
		yellow (YEL-oh) p. 17

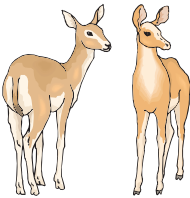
Match these homophones to the pictures



dear
deer



doe
dough



does
doze



ducked
duct

